GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:125
ANSWERED ON:23.11.2007
ALLOCATION OF POWER
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Government has received any representation from any State Governments requesting for more power allocation from the Central pool during the last six months;

(b) if so, the details thereof, and the decision taken by the Union Government thereon;

(c) whether any steps has been taken by the Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd. (PGCIL) for strengthening the Transmission and Distribution System of power in the country, particularly in Karnataka; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE)

(a) to (d) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 125 TO BE ANSWERED IN THE LOK SABHA ON 23.11.2007 REGARDING ALLOCATION OF POWER.

(a) & (b) : Almost all States and UTs have been facing power shortages. Requests for additional allocation of power are received from time to time at various fora. The unallocated power of Central Generating Stations being limited and fixed, any modifications are possible only through adjustment of allocation generally within the States/UTs in the region, keeping in view the emergent or seasonal nature of the request, the relative power supply position, utilization of existing generation resources, performance and payment capacity.

(c) & (d) : Power Grid Corporation of India Limited (POWERGRID), the Central Transmission Utility (CTU) of India, undertakes development of Inter- State Transmission System (ISTS) and development of the national grid. As on October 31, 2007 POWERGRID owns and operates about 64,000 circuit kilometers (ckt. kms.) of transmission lines, 107 sub-stations having a transformation capacity of about 65,000 MVA. Presently, the national grid with an inter-regional power transmission capacity of about 17,000 MW has been established, which is envisaged to be enhanced to over 37,000 MW by 2012.

In the state of Karnataka, POWERGRID owns, operates and maintains approximately 3000 ckt. kms. of 400 kV transmission lines, seven (7) sub-stations of 400 kV / HVDC which have transformation capacity of 5770 MVA and a 2500 MW HVDC bi-pole station at Kolar.

In the near future, POWERGRID has planned the development of new transmission schemes which would benefit Karnataka in particular and the Southern Region in general. These involve laying of 2000 ckt. kms. of transmission lines along with three (3) sub-stations of 765/400 kV with a transformation capacity of 5930 MVA.